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### THE COURT SIDETRACKED KALIHI IMPROVEMENT CLUB

Council of State Abruptly Tables Bill for Its Expenses.

Action Taken When Government Makes Explanations on Court of Claims—Money for Public Works.

The Council of State session was attended yesterday by President Dole, Ministers Mott-Smith, Young, Damon and Cooper; Councillors Isenberg, Achi, Allen, Kane, Gonsalves, Robertson, Jones, Gear, Nott, Bolte and Kennedy.

Mr. Bolte presented a supplementary petition from H. Hackfeld & Co., Ltd., Lewis & Co., Metropolitan Meat Co., Huastace & Co., Ltd., and Wing Wo Tai & Co., stating that the goods they supplied to the quarantine station last year, while certain Chinese immigrants were detained there, were bought by C. R. Reynolds for account of the Board of Health, and requesting again that the amount of \$2418.91 be appropriated to pay their bills. Referred to Executive Council.

Mr. Gear presented the following resolution: "Resolved, That the Council of State request that the Executive do lay before them the correspondence with President McKinley relating to the appointment of a Court of Claims." He thought the correspondence might have some weight in settling the many rumors regarding the personnel of the Court. Seconded by Mr. Isenberg and carried.

Mr. Gear reported orally from the Interior committee on the proposed item for salary of a purchasing agent of the Board of Health. Out of a total of \$38,000 paid out in the six months prior to the outbreak of plague, supplies to the value of \$3716 were purchased without tender. Under the circumstances he thought the Board hardly needed a purchasing agent.

Mr. Isenberg found the Board unanimous against asking for such an official.

Mr. Damon moved, and it carried, that the item be considered when Act No. 3 was taken up.

Mr. Gear, from the same committee, stated the probable cost of a bonded warehouse at Hilo, to be built of brick, would be \$8,000.

On motion of Mr. Jones the report was laid on the table to be considered with Act No. 4.

Attorney General Cooper reported on the item of towage referred to him, stating that he could find no United States law requiring that the business of towing vessels should be done by private parties.

Mr. Jones read from the Territorial bill to show that it agreed with the Attorney General's report.

The Attorney General also reported on the item for a gasoline engine at the government electric light station. He gave the opinion that the Government had a right to improve its lighting plant notwithstanding anything in the franchise of the Hawaiian Electric Co.

Both reports were tabled to be considered with the bills.

The bills were then taken up, and the item of \$12,000 for electric light power passed. Those of \$20,000 for a steam vessel for towing sewage scows and \$8,000 for running expenses steam vessel started a discussion.

**Wants to Know.**

Mr. Kennedy, on the latter item, wanted to know why the old tugboat should not be used for towing scows, etc.

Mr. Young answered that it was desirable that the Board of Health should have exclusive control of one steamer, as a steamer is always in good condition for service. Besides, the present little steamer would not be capable of towing some of the large vessels coming in increasing number. He believed there would be use for more than one tugboat.

Mr. Isenberg thought the Minister had misunderstood the question. He took what was meant by the questioner to be that a new boat should be got for towing vessels, and the old one given to the Board of Health for towing garbage scows.

Mr. Kennedy thought there would be little garbage to carry to sea when the crematory for its disposal was completed. The old tug then might do for other services of the Board.

Mr. Cooper understood that the Board now paid about \$900 a month for freight. With its own steamer, something better than the old tug, a saving would be made.

Mr. Gear believed there would be work for more than one tug in Honolulu harbor.

Mr. Jones said, if \$900 a month was being paid in freight, the investment in a steamer ought to be very profitable.

**Government Do Everything.**

Mr. Isenberg was amused at all the talk about saving freight, carrying cargo. (Continued on page 6.)

THE WATERMAN IDEAL FOUNTAIN PEN. All sizes, all shapes. H. F. WICHMAN.

Enthusiastic Meeting Last Night Shows Progress.

Success of Efforts for Widening King Street—Will E. Fisher Makes Good Suggestions—Results Already Apparent.

The ingathering of the citizens of Kalihi Friday evening was significant. One hundred and fifty persons by actual count were present, an impressive fact of the district. The meeting was held at the school house and music was provided to relieve the tedium of the evening.

President W. M. Mutch opened the meeting with a few brief remarks, which were received with applause, when the announcement was made that King street was to be widened from the bridge and that the bridge itself was to be widened a strip of many feet wide to carry the improvement into effect. President Mutch stated that Mark P. Robinson and others owning property in the district would take concerted action to further the public improvements contemplated.

T. McCants Stewart read the report of the executive committee, which declared in substance that an interview had been held with the Minister of the Interior in regard to the widening of King street and favorable action was expected. The Minister of the Interior had asked for \$50,000 for the improvement of King street, which would meet the necessities of Kalihi; an appropriation had already been granted for a large number of hydrants and Andrew Brown of the water works had informed the committee that some of these would be placed in the district; a fire engine was also to be located at Kalihi at some point to be decided upon.

The question of garbage had been considered and there was no doubt that improvements in this respect would be made by the authorities, as relief had been promised by the Minister of the Interior and the Board of Health were showing a friendly interest in the district. Other public needs were mentioned and the committee's report closed with the resolution reciting that it was the judgment of the Kalihi League for Public Improvement that immediate steps be taken for the extension of Vineyard and School streets and Kuakini street through to Kalihi.

In a few chosen words Allan Herbert, vice president, introduced E. M. Boyd, who spoke on municipal government in a clear and forcible manner for twenty minutes. Will E. Fisher was then called upon by T. McCants Stewart and in the most pleasing way gave those present the benefit of his experience in improvement clubs; he insisted that Honolulu was no exception to the rule and that Kalihi had been and would hereafter be directly benefited by the present movement.

T. McCants Stewart made a strong speech in the interests of Kalihi district, in which he outlined the details of work already done by himself and others. He was frequently interrupted with applause.

At the conclusion of the meeting a vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Boyd and Mr. Will E. Fisher. The meeting was a great success and it is believed will bear fruit in other sections of Honolulu.

**Dance at Suhr's.**

There was a most enjoyable reception and dance given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Suhr, 304 street, last night, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Heinrich Renjes who are soon to go to Germany. Some two hundred of Honolulu's society folk were present. The house and grounds were brilliantly illuminated for the occasion.

**Propelled by Gasoline.**

San Francisco, March 23.—The new schooner Eclipse, recently built at Benicia by Captain Matthew Turner, cleared yesterday for Honolulu and will sail today. The schooner is propelled by a gasoline engine of 150-horse power, and will be commanded by Captain Henningsen.

**BRIEF HISTORY.**

The majority of fashionable people of Honolulu rather buy their hats in Iwakami's Hat Department than anywhere else.

B. R. Taylor is still the proprietor of the Elite barber shop. Mr. Bogie recently married, is one of Mr. Taylor's employees.

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### BOTHA IS IN COMMAND

Death of Gen. Joubert a Sad Blow to Boer Cause.

Many Skirmishes With the Enemy—Making Not Yet Reversed—British Losses Reach Over 16,000.

(Associated Press Special.) New York, March 31.—A dispatch to the Herald from Pretoria says: General Louis Botha has been appointed to succeed General Joubert as commander-in-chief of the Transvaal forces.

Pretoria, March 28.—General Joubert died last night at 11:30 o'clock. He had been suffering from a stomach complaint. The town is plunged into mourning for the true patriot, gallant general and upright and honorable gentleman.

**British Suffer Loss.**

(Associated Press Special.) London, March 31, 11:45 a. m.—The War Office has posted the following dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated at Bloemfontein, March 30, evening: "Reports point to the enemy's leaving Brandfort and proceeding in a northerly direction. The casualties in yesterday's engagement were more numerous than at first reported."

Officers killed, 2; wounded, 8; rank and file, killed, 10 (query 19); wounded, 159; missing, 3.

**Burglars Fought Well.**

(Associated Press Special.) Kroonstad, O. F. S., March 30 (Friday).—General Smuts today engaged the British at Mafekop, south of Brandfort and held them at bay for six hours. The burglars fought well. The casualties are unknown.

The Free State Road will assemble at Kroonstad April 2.

**Mafeking Not Relieved.**

(Associated Press Special.) London, March 31.—Even the details of the engagement yesterday at Karcosiding station, a few miles south of Brandfort, fail to instill much interest.

It appears to have been a one-sided affair, although the Boers stoutly held their ground against a force three or four times their size for three hours, when foreseeing the danger of the British cavalry enveloping their flank, the burghers withdrew in good order on their main body at Brandfort, which, according to Lord Roberts they seem later to have decided to relinquish with the view, doubtless, of occupying a prepared position further north.

There will probably be a general shifting of camps on the part of the British, the new position being made the base of a further advance as soon as the railroad is prepared.

Lord Roberts reported today to the War Office that he had received news from Colonel Baden-Powell at Mafeking up to March 10, when the general health of the garrison and its spirit were good, the locally made gun, searchlight and ammunition were working well, the food was holding out well, and the paper currency which the British commander had issued, was satisfactory.

From Cape Town, it is reported that President Steyn has gone to Pretoria after, according to refugees, issuing an order that all British burghers refusing to join the Boer army shall be shot. The stories of refugees, however, are notoriously unreliable.

The news from elsewhere is meagre, the last reports from Natal indicated the speedy clashing of the armies.

**SAYS IT IS PLAGUE**

2 p. m.—There is nothing of importance at the Board of Health. No cases have made their appearance in Honolulu today.

Dr. Carter of Makao telephoned to the Board of Health office this forenoon saying that the cases of the native and his son, pronounced suspicious by him the other day, are genuine cases of the plague and that he has again put the place in strict quarantine.

Dr. Hoffmann admits that plague might have developed since his visit to Makao but that, during the short time he and Dr. Garvin were there, there was not a symptom.

Dr. Wood could not be found this afternoon but it is very probable that Drs. Garvin and Hoffmann will be again despatched to the scene as soon as possible.

**Judge Perry Ailing.**

Judge Perry has been on the sick list some days, but hopes to be out on Monday. With Judge Stanley still confined to his home, the First Circuit would have no judge for chambers business now if Mr. Silliman had not been temporarily appointed.

Dinner and supper parties desiring our wagonette can have it sent to any address by telephoning to the Inn. Henry N. Almy, manager.

### OPINION OF HON. P. C. JONES

Trend of Public Opinion As Expressed by Mr. Robertson Has Found It.

Takes Issue With Mr. Robertson and the Government's View Claims Should Be Paid—Conditions Justify Action.

Editor Evening Bulletin:—In your issue of the 5th inst. there is a letter signed by A. G. M. Robertson in which he gives his understanding as to the policy of the Government in dealing with the claims for losses sustained by the fires ordered by the Board of Health, and from the statements made by the Attorney General before the Council of State yesterday there is no doubt but that Mr. Robertson correctly stated the policy of the Government.

As far as I am able to get hold of Public Opinion, everybody approves of all that was done by the Board of Health, and all believe the Board has not committed any illegal act, for they have had the advice of two of our most able lawyers in every step they have taken, and there is not a doubt, if this was submitted to a Court of Claims, the Court would relieve them from a charge of illegality in their actions—even if there were "business men" on the Board.

If this is correct, there would be no further use for the Court of Claims, for they would in all probability decide the matter in a very short time, and there would be no claims to put before the Court. But should the Court decide that the Board of Health had committed illegal acts, even then the Government would not be responsible, for we are told by our legal friends, that the members of the Board would be held personally responsible. Surely no man or body of men in this community would bring action against these gentlemen who have so faithfully discharged their duties as members of the Board.

There are times and conditions when we should look beyond the mere "legality" and treat them as matters of Equity and fair dealing. To my mind, and every citizen with whom I have talked upon this matter agrees with me, the fires by order of the Board of Health should be treated, so that the whole country will bear the loss rather than allow it to fall upon the sufferers.

The Government should not be such sticklers for the "law." I would like to know if Mr. Dole, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Damon, Mr. Castle, and many others considered the legality of our acts, when on the 17th of January, 1893, we went up to the Government house and took possession of the Government. We certainly knew we were committing an illegal act, but we felt the conditions justified our actions and for one I have never regretted that I helped overthrow the monarchy.

In dealing with the "Claims," I think we should take the same position and I believe the whole country will approve of investigating and PAYING every honest claim presented.

Mr. Robertson does not know where the money is coming from to pay these claims. It would not be a very difficult thing to pay in bonds issued by the Government bearing interest at 3 per cent per annum due in 5 to 15 years, settling all amounts under \$50 in cash. Mr. Robertson does not think it right to make "posterity" pay the bills for they will have epidemics of their own to pay for. "Posterity" will have the value of our experience, which will be worth all the money they will be called upon to pay out. And they may thank heaven that by the action of the men of 1900, they are alive to pay the bills, for had it not been for the burning of property, we and our children and grand-children might have been carried off by the plague, leaving no posterity.

P. C. JONES.

**Passengers Land.**

Advises by the Hongkong Maru are that the Australia passengers were not detained in quarantine. The delay in landing was very slight.

**Ohia Diploma Received.**

J. Oswald Lutted, manager of the New England Bakery Co., has received the gold medal diploma awarded that establishment for Hawaiian preserved fruits at the Greater America Exposition. It is a pretty design. Mr. Lutted is preparing a fine display of preserved fruits for the Paris Exposition, which Major Pratt, secretary of Commission, will take away with other exhibits in the next trip of the Australia.

**Makiki Recreation Grounds.**

J. A. Thompson, as a baseballist, is one of many who think the Government might spend a trifle on the public recreation grounds at Makiki. It is the only place left now for outdoor sports, and its grandstand was burned some years ago. Something is earnestly desired to be done before the Fourth of July.

A bicycle was badly smashed by a dray horse in the yard to the rear of W. W. Dimond's store this forenoon.

### THEY MUST HAVE JUSTICE

Japanese and Chinese Will Send Resolution to Dole.

Want Complete Change in Court of Claims—Appeal to Their Governments If Not Recognized—Meeting Tonight.

The mass meeting of the Japanese and Chinese on Nuuanu avenue this evening promises to be one of great importance. There will be a preliminary meeting of the committees at 6:30 o'clock and at 7 o'clock sharp, the work will begin in earnest.

The principal business will be the consideration of a resolution to be presented to President Dole as soon as possible, protesting strongly against the personnel of the Court of Claims, recently appointed, and the rules and regulations which are to govern that body.

Although not included in the resolution, it is understood that some of those present at the meeting will demand for a reconstruction of the Court of Claims, appointing on the same, one prominent attorney, two white business men, one Japanese and one Chinese. The Japanese and Chinese, it is understood, are very much in favor of such a court.

Speaking of the meeting today a prominent Chinese business man said: "We are fully in accord with the action of the Chamber of Commerce at its meeting Wednesday morning, but we go further. We not only object to the personnel of the Court, but the rules governing the same."

"Here is just one case in point. I know of two or three of my countrymen who have claims not exceeding \$20. What foolishness it would be for such poor fellows to present their claims when they will have to pay \$20 before they can even look at the Court. Remember, these small claims are in many cases the very all the claimants have."

"We mean to be most radical and, if it is possible, to get President Dole to reconsider his appointments to the Court of Claims. In the event of the failure of President Dole to do anything toward remedying this most unjust state of affairs, the Chinese and Japanese have agreed to withhold all their claims. Not a single one will be presented to the objectionable Court and we will refer the matter to our governments for redress."

"What can five lawyers do in the matter of appraising goods, even if they have been burned and are no longer visible? That is only one objection to the Court. There are a dozen more."

"We have figured out the number and value of claims which are to be presented by the Japanese and Chinese and find the following:

"Chinese claims, 3,500; Japanese claims, 3,000; total, 6,500."

"Amount of Chinese claims, \$1,500,000; amount of Japanese claims, \$600,000; total, \$2,100,000."

"These figures are approximate. Adding to the total amount of claims given above, the amount already appraised by the Board of Health appraisers, the sum will not exceed \$3,000,000."

**MAGOON TO PAY COURT**

The Court of Claims matter will be considered at the meeting of the Executive Council on Monday morning.

Mr. Magoon was seen in relation to the Court of Claims at 1 o'clock today. He said: "I believe the commission to be legal and that all bills contracted by the Court will hereafter be a charge against the Government, which will, in time, have to be paid. A great many blanks have been distributed and people are very anxious to have their claims adjudicated. It is quite probable the first case will be heard before the Court of Claims on next Monday."

Mr. Magoon regrets that so much opposition has been shown to the Court of Claims and expresses the opinion that the Executive Council has done all that they could under the powers granted them. In conclusion Mr. Magoon said he thought it was important that the Court of Claims should consist of lawyers because if claimants under the ruling of the Court could not get even justice there would still be left an appeal to the Legislature.

It is learned on the best authority that Mr. Magoon will become responsible for the entire expenses of the Court of Claims, if it is deemed necessary to carry the Court out under the provisions of the United States Government.

**TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.** Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box, 25 cents.

Officers of the cruiser Charleston are cleared of all blame for the loss of the cruiser, by the investigating board.

E. P. Turner will address the men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. All men invited.

### The Queen Will Sue.

Washington, March 21.—A special dispatch to the Seattle Times says: Ex-Queen Liliuokalani of Hawaii, who is now here in Washington, having failed to get Congress to vote her a pension upon the bill introduced by Senator Hoar, is now preparing a suit, which she will bring in the Court of Claims soon, for \$10,000,000, that being what she considers a fair price for the Hawaiian crown lands taken by this government. Attorneys are now preparing the suit.

### CAMBRIDGE WON EASILY

(Associated Press Special.) Putney, Eng., March 31.—The fifty-seventh annual boat race between crews representing the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge was rowed today over the usual course, from Putney to Mortlake. Cambridge won easily in 18 minutes, 47 seconds, official time, Oxford being much distressed and about twenty lengths behind at the finish.

**VARIOUS COURT ITEMS.**

The Supreme Court this morning adjourned sine die, having continued all cases not heard to next term, subject to special agreement for hearing in vacation.

In the Cleghorn vs. Castle controversy, Judge Silliman has sustained the demurrer of Mary Brown, one of the defendants, dismissing the complaint as to her with costs.

The Supreme Court has remanded the matter of the estate of Antone Felipe to the First Circuit Court. Hawaii Land Co. vs. Nettie L. Scott is remanded to the District Court of North Kohala.

Jas. R. Holt and John D. Holt by their guardian, John S. Walker, and their attorneys, W. R. Castle and P. L. Weaver, move for a hearing on the accounts of Bruce Cartwright, trustee under the will of R. W. Holt, and ask that the trustee be allowed to resign and that a new trustee be appointed.

**Tons of Maui Sugar.**

Walluku, April 3.—The British steamer Bloemfontein left Kahului harbor Saturday, March 31, for San Francisco. She carried 64,755 bags of sugar. This is the largest sugar cargo ever shipped from Maui in one vessel and perhaps the second or third largest cargo from the Hawaiian Islands. There is enough sugar on hand in Kahului to load another vessel of the size of the Bloemfontein.

**Gen. Pana Surrenders.**

(Associated Press Special.) Manila, March 31.—The Chinese General Pana, who has been terrorizing and devastating the province of Panay, has surrendered at Legaspi, to Brigadier General Kobbe, who is bringing him to Manila.

**Vote on Porto Rico.**

Washington, March 28.—The Senate today agreed to vote on the Porto Rican bill on Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. It is probable the tariff proposition will carry.

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